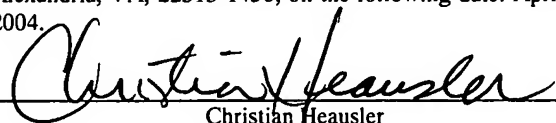


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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor(s): GEORGE ROBERT GREGORY and ROBERT MCCLURE LOVE III

For: METHOD FOR MAKING A TERMINATION FOR A WIRE ROPE FOR MINING EQUIPMENT

1. Type of Application

This new application is for a(n):

☒ Utility application.

2. Papers Enclosed Which Are Required For Filing Date Under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 CFR 1.153 (Design) Application

___ 8 ___ Pages of specification

___ 3 ___ Pages of claims

___ 1 ___ Page of abstract

___ 5 ___ Sheets of ☒ informal or ☐ formal drawings (FIGS 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5)

3. **Declaration or Oath**

☒ Enclosed executed by inventor.

4. **Non-publication Request under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

☒ Enclosed and signed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.33(b).

5. **Language**

☒ English

6. **Postcard**

☒ A postcard is attached

7. **Fee Calculation (37 CFR 1.16)**

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